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FM AMEMBASSY RANGOON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6629

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

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C O N F I D E N T I A L RANGOON 0818

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR BM CB TH VN

SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR GODLEY' S CALL ON BURMESE FOREIGN MINISTER

1. IN CALL ON BURMESE FOREIGN MINISTER U KYAW SOE APRIL 4  
AMBASSADOR GODLEY DESCRIBED PRESENT SITUATION IN LAOS AND CAMBODIA  
AND EXPRESSED CONCERN AT VIOLATIONS OF PEACE SETTLEMENT, AFFIRM-  
ING THAT USG WOULD NOT STAND IDLY BY IF FLAGRANT VIOLATIONS PER-  
SISTED. AMBASSADOR NOTED THAT HANOI' S INTENTIONS WERE BEING PUT  
TO ACID TEST. KYAW SOE EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT PARIS AGREEMENTS  
BEING IGNORED AND NOTED GUB' S VIEW THAT SOONER HOSTILITIES COM-  
PLETELY OVER THE BETTER. GODLEY PRAISED GUB' S JANUARY 26  
COMMUNIQUE.

2. OTHER SUBJECTS DISCUSSED INCLUDED ( A ) BURMESE ATTITUDE TOWARD  
NARCOTICS PROBLEM, WITH KYAW SOE GOING INTO HISTORICAL ASPECTS,  
AND EXPLAINING GUB TURN- DOWN OF US ASSISTANCE IN TERMS OF U. S.  
FAILURE TO TRUST BURMESE TO USE AID PROPERLY; ( B ) GUB' S DECISION  
NOT RPT NOT TO BE REPRESENTED AT FORTHCOMING ASEAN MEETING; AND  
( C ) EXPOSITION BY KYAW SOE OF BURMA' S COLONIAL HISTORY AND EXPER-  
IENCE OF GOVERNMENT UNDER POLITICIANS TO EXPLAIN CURRENT ONE  
PARTY, SOCIALIST POLICIES.

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3. COMMENT: ( A) THIS WAS LENGTHIEST TALK THAT ANY OFFICIAL US VISITOR HAS HAD WITH HIGH BURMESE OFFICIAL FOR MANY YEARS, AND IS INDICATIVE OF IMPORTANCE PLACED BY KYAW SOE ON CONVEYING BURMESE VIEWS TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE- DESIGNATE GODLEY. ALTHOUGH KYAW SOE DID NOT RPT NOT REVEAL ANY NEW FACETS OF GUB FOREIGN POLICY, NOR ANY NEW DECISIONS, HIS REMARKS AS ONE OF SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL AND CONFIDANT OF PRIME MINISTER NE WIN PROVIDE INSIGHT INTO GUB' S RATIONALE AND POSTURE. ( B) IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT KYAW SOE HIMSELF BROUGHT UP SUBJECT OF NARCOTICS, AND TWICE STEERED CONVERSATION BACK TO IT. ( C) AMB-ASSADOR GODLEY' S VISIT WAS MOST HELPFUL IN DEMONSTRATING USG' S SYMPATHETIC INTEREST IN BURMA AND IN GIVING GUB FIRST HAND PICTURE OF REALITIES IN INDOCHINA AND CONVEYING US VIEWS AT PRESENT IMPORTANT JUNCTURE.

4. DETAILED MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION FOLLOWS.  
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